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ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-04 H-01 INR-07
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FM AMCONSUL KARACHI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1450

INFO AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD IMMEDIATE

AMCONSUL LAHORE IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PK, PINT

SUBJECT: SECURITY SITUATION IN KARACHI

REF: KARACHI 1310

1. THE KARACHI CURFEW REMAINS IN EFFECT MARCH 21,
BEING ENFORCED SELECTIVELY AS IT WAS THE PREVIOUS DAYS.
IT WAS LIFTED 0630-0830 AND IS SCHEDULED TO BE LIFTED
1500-1700 TO PERMIT PEOPLE TO SHOP AND WORKERS TO GO TO
AND FROM WORK.

2. HOWEVER, ATTENDANCE AT WORK IS SKETCHY BECAUSE OF
THE CURFEW ITSELF AND THE HARTAL CALLED BY THE PNA.
MUCH OF KARACHI INDUSTRY LIES IN THE STRICT CURFEW
ZONE AND IS CLOSED DOWN. THE BULK OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT
HAS BEEN HALTED BY THE HARTAL. SHOPS AND OFFICES ARE
CLOSED IN MOST CASES OR INADEQUATELY STAFFED IF THEY
ARE OPEN. THE PORT IS VIRTUALLY AT A STANDSTILL FOR
LACK OF STAFF (INCLUDING THE CUSTOM HOUSE) AND OF
TRUCKS TO MOVE CARGO INLAND.

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3. A FEW INCIDENTS OF ARSON OCCURRED DURING THE
MORNING PERIOD OF CURFEW RELAXATION. THERE ARE
REPORTS OF PERSONS HAVING BEEN SHOT FOR VIOLATING THE
CURFEW YESTERDAY BUT WE HAVE NO DIRECT CONFIRMATION.
IT IS NOT CLEAR WHETHER THERE HAVE BEEN DELIBERATE
ATTEMPTS TO DEFEY THE CURFEW BUT CASES OF SUCH ACTITR

ARE RUMORED TO BE OCCURRING TODAY.

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